

# SHORTWAVE BULLETIN

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Så kom det till sist lite bidrag. På lördagsem. såg det en aning dystert ut med bara några få bidrag.

Flera undrar hur det går med min skröpliga kropp. I rehabiliteringen ingår 3 mån med en ortos, som kort är en spännanordning från ankel till lumske och ledad vid knäet. Efter c:a 7 veckor öppnar man denna 20 gr per vecka för att aktivera muskeln. Just nu är jag på 70% öppning vilket kanske låter mycket. Fortfarande går jag också på kryckor.

I praktiken behöver man kunna bocka 120 gr för att röra sig obehindrat.

Men det går framåt och snart kanske det går att åka bil till jobbet istället för taxi.

Det är också trevligt att medlemmarna hör av sig trots avsaknad av bidrag med direkt DX-värde. Det är ju inte alltid DX-intresset är på topp. Kanske nåt kul hänt som andra också kan få ta del av!

Keep on ....

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## QSL, kommentarer, mm.

**Anders Hultqvist:** Tack för bullen! Jag rattade direkt in några av loggningarna och fick napp per omgående på den nya, skojjiga Winradio G313 som finns i samlingarna sedan några veckor. Radio Brasil Central 9665 går just nu 24 augusti 0535 med en stark 4 och Miriam Makeba sjungandes Malaika och tjusiga anrop trots en usel stump till antenn. Enda nackdelen med G313 är väl att den måste rattas från en stationär PC, annars har jag bara lovord till övers. Jag köpte den direkt från Australien och fick hem den med FedEx på några dagar. Pris: US Dollars 999,95 + 74,86 i frakt.

På den svenska agentens hemsida finns en utmärkt presentation av G313 samt några nya lyckliga ägares kommentarer. Jag instämmer i vad dom skriver. G313 ger dx-andet en helt ny skojjig dimension. Den enda svagheten är väl som jag skrev innan att den i detta utförande sitter i en stationär PC, och därmed inte är så lätt att ta med sig. Notera att man tjänar ca 2500 kr på att köpa direkt från tillverkaren.

[http://www.winradio.se/g3\\_01.htm](http://www.winradio.se/g3_01.htm)

**Christer Brunström: Bangladesh Betar 7185** QSL-kort, brev och schema. V/s Ahmed Quamruzzaman vill ha fler rapporter på sändningarna 1745-1900 & 1915-2000 UTC på 7185 & 9550 till [rrc@dhaka.net](mailto:rrc@dhaka.net). **Voice of Nigeria 15120** kort, dekal, schema för perioden juli - december 2004. **RVI 5985** kort och två CD-skivor som vinner i "CD of the Week".

**Jan Edh:** På tisdagskvällen 24/8 gjorde Rolf Larsson och jag ett nytt besök ute i Fredriksfors. Det var litet sent innan vi kom igång, och det var dessutom ganska trögt, men det blev faktiskt lite bättre efter hand. Kortvägen var dock fortfarande en svår besvikelse när det gäller LA. Riktigt uselt. Däremot vaknade mellanvägen där först (som vanligt oid-ade) en del brassar gick, sedan blev det framför allt PR/Venezuela, men också en hel del vanliga NA (vi saknar "av jordbrukstekniska skäl" ännu NA-antenn och lyssnade på CA-antennen) samt en liten överraskning i form av Radio Juventus Don Bosco på 1640.

**27/8:** efter ett sent arbetspass chansade jag på Fredriksfors där Rolf Larsson redan fanns på torsdagskvällen 26/8. Det lät ju lovande beträffande konditionerna inte minst mot NA. Och i motsats till t ex Jan Alvestads erfarenheter från natten var den fullkomligt bedrövlig både på KV och MV. Litet bättre runt och efter soluppgången, men de flesta signaler var så svaga att de inte var tydbara genom åska och elstängsel. Men det var långt till vad Alvestad bedömde "AMAZING"... Men allt är relativt, tidigare under natten gick inte ens Pio XII på 5952,5 eller en läsbar signal på 1470...

**2/9:** min timing är uslast möjliga för närvarande i lyssningen, men störningen till trots - det här har enda tillfället jag hade den här veckan. Resultatet blev förstås därefter. Men om LA på kortvägen är det stora sorgebarnet, så tycks det på nåt sätt finnas hopp i övrigt. Till och med när det är så pass stort.

QSL: **MARLO 15500U**. Email. V/s LT Gonzalez (en dag sedan mailet väl hittat igenom)

**Björn Fransson: Hej!** Dags igen! Det går allt fortare med allting, t ex tiden! Jag hoppas din rehabilitering går lika fort! Idag tar jag emot Leif Blomqvist, som tillsammans med frugan, ska bo i vår stuga en vecka. Det är nog tänkt att det ska bli en hel del DX-ing - av honom. Själv får jag nog fortsätta att slava till 60%!

QSL: **Q103, estnisk pirat-9290**. E-mail-kort av en fyr. V/s: Juha Wirén. 3 v. **Minivan Radio, clandestine för Maldiverna via Bulgarien (?) -11525**. E-mail, v/s: Rebecca Cork. 2 d. **Radio Marilyn, Bologna, Italien-6218.7**. Kort, QSL-certifikat och dekal med Marilyn Monroe på. 1 v. **VOA relay IBB, Kuwait-11835**. E-mail, v/s: Jurgis. Kort, dekaler, programtidning. 1 m. **Radio Free Syria via Jülich, Tyskland-13650**. Brev, v/s: The Management. 2 m. **Offshore Music Radio via Ulbroka, Lettland-9290**. E-mail med tack för rapporten. 2 v.

**Dan Olsson:** Denna gång hade vi testat ett nytt QTH i byn Rävetofta, 7 km nordost om Svalöv. Stugan var av bra klass men tyvärr så var terrängen inte alls bra. Vi skulle dra ut 500m men efter 400 gick vi bet då vi kom fram till ett oframkomligt kärr. Dessutom led mellanvägen av ett knäppande som var ganska störande. Så vi beslöt att inte använda denna stuga i framtiden utan använda Saxtorpstugan. SVT var där och gjorde ett program om DX-ing, Det var Anders i programmet Anders och Måns som kommer i november.

**Ove Fransson:** Som vanligt är det mest för att visa intresse och ge prov på min egentligen långt ifrån falnade DX-glöd som jag skickar några loggar och inte för att de har något värde för de goda läsarna av denna eminenta bulletin. DO och jag satt nämligen och provlyssnade en natt i vad vi trodde skulle kunna bli MKVK:s nya super-QTH. Efter diverse antenndragningsäventyr och kraftiga när-QRM från ett par TV-nissar som envisades med att följa våra förehavanden på linslängds avstånd kunde vi dock konstatera att vi

nog har det bättre i Saxtorp. Dessutom var kondsen inte något att skryta med. Här är ett litet plock av det som trots allt hördes på kortvåg. Jag hoppas att allt är väl med dig och din sargade kropp. Hang in there, Tompa!

**Roland Åkesson:** Hoppas att din konvalesens går med stormsteg och att du fått en och annan anledning att kolla banden. Har själv svårt för att hitta något nytt på KV, och trots att man kollar så blir det inga nya revolutionerande tips. Man kan inte annat än längta tillbaka till nybörjartiden då tropikbanden kryllade av lattare, hi! Har sedan sist fått två QSL; **Radio Santa Mónica - 4965** med brev från sedvanlig v/s via **Carlos Gamarra Moscoso** i Cusco, samt **RTV Congolaise - 5985** med härligt gammalmodigt QSL-kort och perfekt brev från v/s **Félix Lossombo**. Korrekt adress är enligt honom B.P. 2912, Brazzaville, Republique du Congo. Använder 5985 kHz 17-23 UTC.

**Leif Råhäll:** Hoppas att återställandet går som tänkt. Inga större sensationer denna gång har inte haft någon större framgång på 31 m bandet på indoneser som tidigare år men det kommer kanske.

## LOGGEN - ALL TIMES ARE UTC

2310	24.8	2115	<b>Alice Springs</b> // 2325 QSA 3 resp QSA 2 med mysig R&B. Verkade dra ur pluggen 21.30 JE
2485	24.8	2115	<b>Katherine</b> med annat program och alltså ej // 2310/2325! OS-rapport. QSA 3. JE
3230	24.8	2240	<b>Radio Guarujá-FM</b> med musik och ej //3235/5045 som också gick. Väldigt mycket språk och en störning gjorde att den bara gick att få fram på LSB. QSA 2. JE
3291.2	2.9	0315	<b>Voice of Guayana</b> . QSA 2 men väldigt mycket språk. JE
3306	28.8	2000	<b>ZBC</b> körde med nyhetsuppläserska. 2-3. OVE
3325	24.8	2125	<b>RRI Palangkaraya</b> drar igång med enahanda musikslinga, sedan lite raspig 40-talsmusik och ett långt pass med barnkör. Inte ett talat ord innan paussignal annonsering och Warta Beritha 22.00. Går väldigt bra nu, QSA 4. JE
3340	5.9	0153	<b>OID</b> men troligen Radio Misiones. 1-3 RÅ
3345	28.8	2000	<b>Channel Africa</b> som vanligt. EE. 2-3. OVE
3925	1.9	2030	<b>Nikkei Radio</b> (heter den så numer? - tent) med prat. QSA 1-2 och mycket språk på frekvensen. JE
3959.7	28.8	1740	<b>KRE Kangyye</b> med traditionella folksånger 2 LRH
3976	24.8	2205	<b>RRI Pontianak</b> med nyheter. Dålig hörbarhet. QSA 1-2. JE
4052.5	27.8	0250	<b>Radio Verdad</b> med "kristen" musik men i lokal sättnig (xylofon, panflöjt etc). Mycket språk och skral signal QSA 2. Vad mera är tycktes modulationen vara ganska kass nu. JE
4790	24.8	2120	<b>RRI FakFak</b> med indonesisk populär musik. QSA 2. JE
4790	1.9	2110	<b>RRI FakFak</b> blandade covers och indonespop. QSA2-3 JE
4870	1.9	2055	<b>RRI Wamena</b> igång igen här. Inga nyheter på heltimmen, men muslimsk sång/recitation. Gick mycket bättre förra gången (men då kanske konditionerna också var bättre?). QSA 1-2 JE
4885	27.8	0444	<b>Rádio Clube do Pará</b> "uma hora e 40", dvs fel på fyra minuter. 2 CB
4885	29.8	0150	<b>R Clube do Para</b> med flera eko-ID och spelade sen Beatles. DO
4890	28.8	1930	<b>OID</b> , men med allra största sannolikhet NBC med blandad musik och god hörbarhet. OVE
4890	28.8	1920	<b>Papua</b> med körsång till bra styrkor. Q 4 DO
4905	5.9	0233	<b>Radio La Oroya</b> precis hörbar i kamp med brassen. Har inte noterat denna på länge. 2-3 RÅ
4915	27.8	0430	<b>Rádio Difusora de Macapá</b> med ID och lugn musik. 2 CB
4990	27.8	0215	<b>Radio Apintie</b> , Trista enahanda internationella ballader i ousinlig ström, någon enstaka gång med kort presentation på holländska. Men en stor överraskning med tanke på de urusla konditionerna där inte ens Brasil Central 4985 gått bra på hela. QSA 3. JE
4996	5.9	0024	<b>Radio Andina</b> , Huancayo med massor av snx som bl a handlade om transportsystemet. 2-4 RÅ
5020	28.8	1645	<b>CLN Ekala</b> Comm. Service med asiatisk mx 2 LRH
5025	28.8	2205	<b>Parakou</b> med skön, inhemsk musik. 2-3. OVE
5952.5	29.8	0135	<b>R Pio Doce</b> pratade om den katolska kyrkan och spelade mycket musik. DO
6020.25	2.9	0215	<b>Radio Victoria</b> anropade i musik. Gick förhållandevis bra med tanke på hur bandet lät i övrigt. QSA 3. JE
6025	28.8	2325	<b>R Illimani</b> gick som ett skott i kamp med en stn som troligen var Amanecer. Reklam. ID. OVE
6173.7	5.9	0009	<b>Radio Tawantinsuyo</b> , Cusco kom och gick i splashen. Reportage från fotbollsligan, bl a. 3 RÅ
6218.67		1820	<b>Radio Marilyn</b> med säte (hi!) i Bologna sände ett testprogram och en känd Monroe-låt. Svarade snabbt, men berättade inte var sändaren ligger. När denna lade av kl 1900 kom Laser Hot Hits igång –på exakt samma frekvens. Relä eller...? S 2 på Marilyn. BEFF
6226	30.8	1655	<b>Radio Pakistan</b> med ID och prat. S 3. BEFF
6400.3	1.9	1855	<b>OID UK</b> eller irländsk pirat med inspelningar från en mängd gamla irländska stationer, t ex Nova, Kiss FM, WABC o s v. Vad är detta? S 3. BEFF
7490	30.8	0240	<b>WJIE</b> är tydligen igång igen. Denna station tycks ha vädiga problem att hålla igång sina två kortvågssändare. 2 CB
7999.3	30.8	1645	<b>Radio Voice of Sudan</b> med arabiska och ID. S 2-3. BEFF
9290	29.8	1200	<b>Der Störseuder</b> via Lettland med mest trevlig musik presenterad på tyska och engelska. Stör är ett litet vattendrag mellan Schweriner See och Elbe, därav det något lustiga namnet. Hemsida: <a href="http://www.rwvs.de">http://www.rwvs.de</a> . Återkommer den 11 september med ett nytt program. Kl. 13.00 i stället Q103, även den på tyska. Intressant fenomen alla dessa programproducenter som hyr tid via Lettland. 4-5 CB
9290	14.8	1600	<b>Offshore Music Radio</b> via Ulbroka med fina låtar. Har tydligen antennen riktad åt annat håll, eftersom den hörs så relativt dåligt med tanke på avståndet från Gotland till Lettland. S 3-4. BEFF
9620	4.9	2216	<b>OID</b> då REE hade sändaravbrott. Klassisk mx och kommentarer på La Plata-SS, så kanske SODRE. Tyvärr erbarmerligt svag. 1-2 RÅ
9720	29.8	0520	<b>Radio Victoria</b> exakt på frekvens denna morgon. Sedvanligt religiöst program. 2 CB
11525	18.8	1630	<b>Minivan Radio</b> , den nya clandestinen för Maldiverna, hördes med sin första testsändning. Svarade snabbt och har sedan skickat info om frekvensändringar och har dessutom bett mig om hjälp med att utforma ett QSL!

11535	3.9	1630	DX-ar-vänlig station, tydligen! S 4-5. BEFF
11925	27.8	0508	<b>Minivan Radio</b> //9985 med sändning till Maldiverna. Roligt att åter höra musik från dessa avlägsna öar. Det påminner om loggningen av Voice of Maldives på kortvåg för väldigt många år sedan. 3-4 CB
15476	1.9	2010	<b>Rádio Bandeirantes</b> "Estádio Olímpico da Bandeirantes". 3 CB
15476	2.9	1915	<b>Radio Nacional Arcangel</b> berättade om is och kyla och spelade vacker musik. Häftig hörbarhet! QSA 4 JE
15500	26.8	1659	<b>Radio Nacional San Gabriel</b> med latinamerikanska sånger och enstaka annonseringar. 2 CB
15670	2.9	1325	<b>Radio One</b> med diverse information på engelska efter hårdrock (!) på engelska. I övrigt enbart orientalisk musik. Slutade annonseringen med "Thank you for listening to Radio One". Riktigt stark signal denna kväll. 3 CB
15670	2.9	1330	<b>Radio Free Asia</b> avslutade sin sändning på kambodjanska med att dra en adress i Hongkong. S 4-5. BEFF
15725.4	1.9	1600	<b>Sada-Ye Malat-e Iran</b> är en clandestine som tydligen har en del med Azerbaidjan att göra. Farsispråk. S 3-4 tyder på att de använder en annan sändare än RFA. BEFF
			<b>Radio Pakistan</b> , när jag trodde mig höra någonting helt annat. S 3. BEFF



## Bandscan from BM, Quito, Ecuador

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Rx: JRC-535, Loewe HF-150, Sangean ATS-808 Antenn: 12 m lw Ö/V, 24 m lw N/S + Lw Magnetic Balun + MFJ1025 phaser

The following stations have been uploaded during the last 14 days at <http://www.malm-ecuador.com>

**4790.02 Radio Atlántida**, Trujillo (Peru) 158kb. 08/2004. Low sound-quality-station.

*El departamento de LA LIBERTAD se encuentra dividido en las siguientes provincias: 9.- Provincia de Trujillo, cuya capital es Trujillo. Sus distritos son: El Porvenir, Florencia de Mora, Huanchaco, La Esperanza, Laredo, Moche, Poroto, Salaverry, Simbal, Trujillo, Victor Larco Herrera, Virú; con una población total de 631,333 hab.*

Our friend from Buenos Aires, Argentina Daniel Camporini has sent me another recording of a station you can not find on shortwave now adays: **Radio La Crónica de Lima 9515** Khz. I have never logged the station so it is a pleasure having Daniel on this ID-page. The recording is from year 1970. Thanks Daniel!

**4845.04 unID** LA Spanish speaking. 113kb. 0100 UTC 3/9 2004. Good signal strength, good sound quality and perhaps (?) an ID between the two songs on this new recording I made this Friday evening. Listen and tell me your opinion!

**6090.35 Radio Macarena**, Villavicencio (Colombia) 94kb. 2/9 2004. Reactivated this morning on new frequency!



Saludos Cordiales desde "La Mitad del Mundo"!

(When using my information give credit to: Bjorn Malm, Quito, Ecuador, SWB América Latina)

## Stationsnyheter

**AUSTRALIA** [and non]. From another article about the Royal Flying Doctor Service, which shares frequencies with what's left of the School of the Air, we pick some of the 65 USB frequencies listed which could collide with SW broadcasters if they're not careful: 2360, 4635, 4800, 4860, 4926, 4980, 5010, 5845, 5850, 5865, 6890, 7340, 7357, 7392, 7410, 7465, 7465.5, 7517, 7565, 7580 (gh, from SSB Utilities, by Ben Hogan, Sept Short Wave Magazine [UK] via DXLD)

**BAHAMAS: 1540 ZNS1 Nassau** With hurricane Frances stalled over these islands it is inspirational to listen to the dignified manner in which ZNS informs their citizens of the changing dangers.

"With power lines down the general public is restricted from this area. We have power at the moment and are doing our best to restore power elsewhere. If anyone needs to move call us and we will move you out.... How are you and where are you calling from. I think we have lost some service... How are things going there. We have offices restored and call us and give us information and we will come. By and large we can make things a little easier taking turns at the microphone. In this type of scenario it is important that customers the danger of moving about because of power lines in the water. People with small generator, who are in isolated areas ...use these with caution. Danger of using these improperly ....caution until the hurricane has passed. Water is the major challenge for Grand Bahama, with the major challenges facing electricity. The airport may have sustained substantial damage. Once again we must say it again, people with small generator, walking about in the water with power lines down is an extreme danger. You can call us at 359xxx 351xxx. Until power is restored we caution movement. When power is restored exercise extreme caution because of falling branches. Do not get in water to repair small damage.

Should South Bahamian ? ...get ready to evacuate. If water is not at your door, do not venture out. If water is already in your home sill do not go out walking about in the water. We want to thank Mr. Johnson from Grand Bahama power. Last year we had one death in Nassau from walking about in water alone. We wish to avoid this. Prime Minister of the Bahamas assures all resident of the country, not just citizens, that aid will be impartial." (Bob Pompano Beach Florida via HCDX)

**BELARUS. RUSSIA? 4983**, Aug 21, 22, strong but distorted signal, sign-off at 1801 with jingle and announcement in Russian, pop music before (Thorsten Hallmann, Münster, Germany, Aug 23, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

How about this: **4982 USB**, 0310-0320 08-08, **Minsk Utility Station**, Belarusian pop songs, announcements // 5134 (USB), not // BR 1 on 6010 35343. New frequency 7145, 0340-0400 08-08, R. Stalica, Malhiliou. Belarusian announcements, local pop songs, ad Coca Cola, 0357 ID, not // BR 1 heard on 279 LW/ 6010 / 6040 / 6070 / 6080 / 6115 before 0400 when BR 1 was relayed. The relay of R Stalica on this frequency now seems to be daily! 45444 AP-DNK (Anker Petersen, Skovlunde, Denmark, on an AOR AR7030PLUS with a 25 metres longwire, @tividade DX Aug 23 via DXLD)



**7110**, mostly Belarus Radio is ahead of Tirana signal [see ALBANIA], \ poor 6010 6040 6080, much better on 6070. But poorest signal of some Hundred watts only - I guess - noted on **7145** kHz. Fine condition this morning around 0545 til 0650 UT, but then declined. It was a little "breeze" of winter condition reached us (Wolfgang Büschel, Stuttgart, Germany, Aug 19, BC-DX Aug 23 via DXLD)

**CONGO DR. Radio Tangazeni Kristo, Aru, Congo DR - 4845 kHz.** Some time ago in DX Listening Digest I noted an item about a shortwave station in Congo DR "about 30 km west of Arua, Uganda" that was supposed to broadcast on 4585 kHz. I did some investigation and finally got these facts together: The station is called Radio Tangazeni Kristo (RTK) and operates from the town called Aru in Congo DR, just west of town Arua in Uganda. They are on 4845 kHz with very low power. It is a Christian station and jointly operated by CECA-20 and DIGUNA (the latter based in Germany). There is also RTK FM-station in Bunia. The programs are mainly in local languages, some Swahili/French/English. The schedule given was in local time (I guess it's UT+2): Daily 0530-0715 (0330-0515 UT) Mon-Fri 1600-2130 (1400-1930 UT) Sat/Sun 1355-2130 (1155-1930 UT) One of my sources said that the power increase will happen in the beginning of September. Output power will then be 300-500 W (Jari Savolainen, Kuusankoski, Finland, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

**CYPRUS: CATS PUT CYPRUS RADIO OFF THE AIR** Tuesday, August 24, 2004, CNN, NICOSIA, Cyprus (Reuters)  
Dozens of stray cats and their fleas put Cyprus state radio off the air on Tuesday as fumigation experts were called in. Cyprus Broadcasting Corporation (CyBC) Radio 3 programme said only songs and news bulletins would be broadcast for the next 24 hours on all three of the CyBC's radio channels due to "an immediate need for spraying."  
"The problem with the cats is causing a terrible situation, there hundreds of them and they are running into the studios and over the roof," said one reporter who declined to be named. "At one point, one cat fell through the roof and landed on someone's head," he said. "They have made a mess and broken everything in my office."  
Staff said they were told there was a possibility the three CyBC stations could stay off the air for as long as three days. Cats have been roaming the CyBC grounds for decades and now number more than 100 (via Mike Terry, dxldyg via DXLD)

**DENMARK: World Music Radio update / now with Internet stream.** The transmitter for 5815 kHz has been running half power (6 kW) till July 5th and the test transmission on this frequency provided very good reception up till around 1,000 km from Denmark. At night the signals traveled even further. From August 15th 2004 the transmissions on 5815 kHz have been resumed.  
The results from the test transmission on 15810 kHz (500 W) - which ended June 17 - were less successful. Transmissions on 15810 kHz may resume mid September from a new transmitter site.  
Besides shortwave, WMR is also available worldwide via the Internet, and will be available locally in Eastern Jutland, Denmark on FM 104.2 MHz from mid September 2004. <http://www.wmr.dk> (via Bernd Trutenau, Lithuania, Aug 23, dxldyg via DXLD)

**KOREA NORTH.** A "new" station appeared this morning on 11 MHz - **Voice of Korea on 11865!** I have been looking for this one and this is the first time I've noted it. It was on air at 0704 in Japanese when I tuned across it - before Shijak arrived with TWR. Signal strength was peaking to about S3 on the meter, and there was QRM from a RTTY type signal on the LSB (USB was clear).  
I wonder which way this one arrived here. The Grey [or gray if you prefer] line is only now - 0930 UT - covering JPN and approaching Korea. I could not hear any stations from China or JPN on 11 MHz same time so I assume the most likely path was a long one. 11735 (VoK in Russian) was just about audible. Does anyone know what the beam heading on 11865 might be? It's another one to check and it will be interesting to see if it is now a daily event (Noel R. Green, UK, Aug 18, BC-DX Aug 23 via DXLD)

**LATVIA. EUROPA RADIO INTERNATIONAL START TESTS ON 9290 KHZ.** Tuesday, August 24 2004  
Europa Radio International, E R I, ... Alan Day, via email, adds some further background information: We are four former Radio Caroline and UK local radio presenters who are attempting to get a Euro wide radio station up-and-running by legitimate means. We have been offered 1386 kHz [from Kaliningrad], but only after 2000 (and the signal is very poor into the UK), and [Radio Scandinavia] 603 kHz [from the Finnish island of Åland], but that has yet to prove itself and in any case there is a strong Gold station operating on that frequency here. (hcdx news desk, 24 August 2004 via DXLD)

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No - the 1386 offer came from Lithuania (Sitkunai 500kW). Kaliningrad 1386 is not authorized anymore to be on the air after 2000 UTC. Bernd Trutenau-LTU via HCDX

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Europa Radio International, E R I, commences its first music test transmission on Sunday 5 September 2004 between noon and 2 pm local UK time (1100-1300 UT) from Riga, Latvia, on 9290 kHz. "This is to be the first of a series of tests", says Alan Day, in charge of operations on Europa Radio International. He adds: "Subject to finalising protracted negotiations, we will also see a series of medium wave tests taking place late in the year with a view to launching a 24 hour service in 2005.". E R I is primarily a music station, playing new Rock and album tracks from the past 30 years. Its primary target areas are France, Germany, Holland, Belgium, Switzerland, Austria and the United Kingdom. Alan Day, via email, adds some further background information: We are four former Radio Caroline and UK local radio presenters who are attempting to get a Euro wide radio station up-and-running by legitimate means. Unfortunately we thought that we had struck a deal with a German company who were to provide us with transmission facilities but, at the last minute, the deal was called off with no explanation which left us somewhat in the lurch, hence the vagueness of our web site. We are now scouring around Europe once again to find a suitable MW tx that will cover the UK, parts of France, Germany, Holland etc etc at a reasonable rate - not an easy task! We have been offered 1386 kHz [from Kaliningrad], but only after 2000 (and the signal is very poor into the UK), and [Radio Scandinavia] 603 kHz [from the Finnish island of Åland], but that has yet to prove itself and in any case there is a strong Gold station operating on that frequency here. The E R I website is still under construction and so far shows little information. <http://www.europaradio.co.uk/> (hcdx news desk, 24 August 2004 via DXLD) (BCLNEWS.IT, the only italian updated DX web site!!!)

**MONGOLIA.** During a recent visit to the Mongolian Radio Transmitting Centre at Khonkhor, 30 km east of Ulan Bator, the director, Mr. Gantumur Tumurbataar, told me that the domestic SW transmitter upgrading project, funded by the Government of Japan, has been completed. New antennas and NEC transmitters were installed at Ulan Bator-Khonkhor 7260 (50 kW), Altay 4830 (10 kW) and Murun (or Moron, but not "Mörön") on 4895 (10 kW). Sainshand (4865) will be switched off for good in September after which the three mentioned SW stations will be the only ones to cover the country. (Maarten Van Delft, DSWCI DX Window Aug 25 via DXLD)

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Re "Murun", "Moron" etc: the official Latin form is definitely "Mörön", see e.g. <http://www.geonames.de/coumn.html> (which shows also the original spelling in Cyrillic Mongolian, it includes a special character which is transliterated as "ö"); the form "Mörön" is also the one used on official cartographic material, you may try a search with <http://mappoint.msn.com> See also <http://www.statoids.com/umn.html>, this latter webpage also reports that the town Sainshand was renamed Buyant-Uhaa back in 1994. In a similar case related to official placename spellings, it is perhaps little known that the official spelling in Chinese cartographic material of the town commonly known as "Urumqi" is "Ürümqi" (with dots). Bernd Trutenau-LTU

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A Dutch couple - possibly Maarten Van Delft and wife - were interviewed on the air on Aug 12 on the Voice of Mongolia English language program 1000-1030, which has been audible from time to time for the past month or so, on 12085. They were surprised to hear about a new winter attraction for tourists to Mongolia, Camel Polo. VOM regularly features interviews with visitors to Mongolia. The Mailbox program Aug 23, repeated Aug 24, featured two reception reports, one from Bob Padula, of Victoria, Australia, whose report took three months to reach Mongolia. The other report came from an 80-year-old DXer in Papua New Guinea!

Reception of the 1000 transmission varies from poor to fair in northern Sweden. Now, at the end of Aug, I am experiencing co-channel interference from Syria. On 12014.8 the signal is poor during the 1500 repeat. The fastest way to reach to station seems to be via their "Mail Editor", Densmaa Z, (unsure if Mr., Mrs.), at [Densmaa9@yahoo.com](mailto:Densmaa9@yahoo.com) The station sends out beautiful color QSL-cards to listeners. (Henrik Klemetz via HCDX)

**NIGERIA. 7255, Voice of Nigeria** (Ikorodu) in Hausa. 2248 8/28/04. Good signal but horribly distorted audio, virtually impossible to copy!! African, local rhythms into a (M) with talk - presumed ID's (mentions "Lagos" and "Nigeria"), news headlines. Signal cleared up nicely at 2259 but became hopelessly distorted again by 2301. [VON on 17800 at 2250 in English with good audio!!]. (Jim Clar, NY, NASWA Flashsheet via DXLD)

**PERU. 4856.15v, R. La Hora**, 1008-1015, Nice OA campo music, M announcer at 1010 21 August with short announcement including ID at end "...R. La Hora, la radio ciudad [sic]", and back to Huayno music. 1013 M again over song with announcement and several IDs. 1014 TC and continued announcement. Distorted signal but strong and readable. Frequency drifting down quickly at 1012, and down to 4855.90 by tune-out. It did seem to stabilize on 4855.9 as it was there on a later recheck (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, Cumbre DX via DXLD) This is the one also putting out spurs in the 4.9+ and 5.0+ range; should look for them when the fundamental is in (gh, DXLD)

**SAO TOME. VOA special Athens Olympic broadcast for Africa on 4940.** Last night there was special coverage of Athens Olympics for African listeners, including African medalist and special greetings for listeners in Gabon, Sierra Leone etc. No trace of VOA São Tomé on 4950 (only weak Angola) so I guess this is change from their former frequency (Jarmo Patala, Finland, Aug 22, dxing.info via DXLD) Time??

**SUDAN:** Aug 25, 2004. BBC Monitoring has observed clandestine radio **Voice of Sudan** broadcasting on **7999.3 kHz** shortwave at 1530-1600 gmt on 25 August. The radio station speaks on behalf of the Sudanese opposition grouping, the National Democratic Alliance (NDA). It has been on the air intermittently since 1995, from a transmitter believed to be in neighbouring Eritrea. [http://www.sudantribune.com/article.php3?id\\_article=4990](http://www.sudantribune.com/article.php3?id_article=4990) (Mike Terry via rec.radio.shortwave)

**TANNU TUVA. RUSSIA** --- During a recent visit to RTV Tuva, in Kyzyl, capital of the Autonomous Republic of Tuva, in Southern Central Siberia, I was interviewed by 2 journalists in one of their programmes in Tuvian. They hardly knew about their 5 kW transmitter on 6100 kHz and said they never receive any reports from outside Russia. (Maarten Van Delft, DSWCI DX Window Aug 25 via DXLD)

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If these journalists "hardly knew" about the tx on 6100, does this mean that the power "5kW" was not confirmed during the visit? There are some estimated power figures about this tx circulating in DX reference lists, but it appears the exact power has not been confirmed directly so far. (Bernad Trutenau-LTU via HCDX)

**UGANDA:** I got a word from my sources that there is a Christian shortwave station planned in Uganda. They are waiting for a final approval from the authorities. If approved, it will be a 1 kW tropical band station, located near Entebbe. No further info received about the organization(s) behind this project. (Jari Savolainen, Kuusankoski, Finland via HCDX)

**VANUATU.** Vila transmitter problems --- Just heard from a certain source that **Radio Vanuatu 7260** has got a few problems so if you're not hearing it, it's only on around 200 watts; also 1179 same thing. That's why it was weak up at Kingaroy, last week (John Wright, Sept 2, ARDXC via WORLD OF RADIO 1244, DXLD)

## Övriga radionyheter

**DOMINICAN REPUBLIC.** I am sad to report the receipt of an E-mail from Ana Objío informing me of the death of her father César yesterday - September 3rd at 6 PM --- a wonderful person and great friend. He will be missed (George W. Jensen, via Mike Bugaj, WTFDA via DXLD)

I had the good fortune to have met César on a number of occasions, and to correspond with him intermittently since the mid-1960's. César was a kind and gentle man, and avid DX'er of SW & MW, and a tireless chronicler of broadcasting in his native Dominican Republic. He will be greatly missed in the hobby. RIP, amigo! (Russ Edmunds, Blue Bell, PA, via DXLD)

Likewise, I had the good fortune to have met César in 1978 at the NRC Convention in Atlanta. I rode from the Atlanta airport to the convention motel with him, Ron Schatz and John Clement....all excellent BCB DXers who have now passed on (John Zondlo, Yukon, OK, via DXLD)

Although I never met César, I remember his name from my MW and SW DXing days. The first time I ever saw César's name was in the 1969 WRTH (the first one I bought). He was listed as one of the "cooperators and monitors." (Danny Oglethorpe, Shreveport, LA, via DXLD)

I also had the pleasure to meet Cesar, when I visited the Dominican Republic, must have been in the late 70s or early 80s. He was kind to show me around Santo Domingo and other places, and gave me a piece of Dominican amber (with insect). He had been working (with Teo Veras) on a book about the history of broadcasting in the DR. I wonder where this stands. RIP.(Glenn Hauser, Enid, OK, via DXLD)

### NEW BEACON/SWL WEBSITE UNDER CONSTRUCTION

**Hi All, This is just to let you know that I have a new website under construction.** While it is primarily oriented towards longwave Non Directional Beacons (NDB's), there 'will' eventually be pages dedicated to SWLing (the "on topic" part of this post) as well as boatanchors and anything else I can fit in the allocated space. What I DON'T intend to use this site for is a logging site, a depository of dead links (there are plenty of those sites) though it may eventually contain a complete list of all NDB's that I've heard as well as "favorite links".

Be patient and expect dead links to succeeding pages. Right now it only contains the homepage with a brief introduction and a 19 month old mugshot of yours truly sitting in "The Beaconeers Lair". This is the first time that I've ever done something like this, done any html programming etc. I am attempting to have the site contain some interesting graphics, yet be easy to read (no black on black etc) and quick to download. No slow Java scripts or other items that may cause ADA screen readers to have a heart attack, just straight html. If anyone has suggestions on improving it, I'm open to them, though the site will have to be somewhat limited in size.

It's at <http://users.mercednet.com/beaconeer/> 73 de Phil, KO6BB, Atchley <http://users.mercednet.com/beaconeer/> (via swl at qth.net via DXLD)

### ICOM 746pro

**After spending some time with my ICOM 746pro, I realized that the rig is an amazing radio for SWL.** It is a great ham transceiver, but I was surprised how well it receives AM. It has been FAR superior to any other radio I have owned, whether ham rig or SWL rig. My observations have been confirmed by the technical review below. These radios have been having trouble with a particular IC, causing some of the transmit sections to fail. It does not affect receive. There are fixes available for them, but the used price has been driven down as a result. They are out there commonly for under \$1000.00 US, due to nervous owners trying to unload them. There has been much discussion, review and praise for the ICOM R-75. I am sure that it is a good radio. However, if you want the real deal and a top of the line receiver at any price level, check out the 746pro. Its only weakness is that reception below 1.6 mhz. is attenuated. There are

people out there now (including the gentleman who wrote the review below) who are pursuing a fix to that issue. I hope this helps someone looking to get into the hobby, or someone looking to upgrade their station. (73, Dave via rec.radio.shortwave)  
(Artikeln som Dave ovan refererar till presenterades i SWB 1540 skriven av Dallas Lankford /red)

## Eton E1 XM

**Originally announced as the Grundig Satellit 900, the Eton E1 XM is the world's first radio that combines AM, FM, shortwave and XM Satellite radio into one ultra high-performance unit.** In development for more than ten years in collaboration with RL Drake Company and XM Satellite Radio, the E1 is simply the finest full-sized portable in the world.

1. XM Satellite Radio or Digital Audio Broadcasting (DAB) Ready
2. Continuous Shortwave with Selectable Single Sideband (SSB) Reception
3. Dual Conversion Superheterodyne Circuit Design
4. Digitally Synthesized PLL Tuner with Synchronous Detector
5. Passband Tuning and Selectable Bandwidth Filters
6. 1700 Station Presets with Memory Scan Function
7. 5.7 inches Oversized Illuminated Multi-Function Dot-Matrix LCD Screen
8. Stereo Line-Level Audio Inputs/Outputs and External Antenna Connections
9. Dual Clocks and Programmable Timers
10. Separate Bass and Treble Controls

Dimensions: 13.1W x 7.1H x 2.3 inches. Weight: 4 lbs. (approx.) **This new model is expected 12/15/04. We will post the price as soon as available.**

**Note:** The information above is very preliminary and subject to change. XM subscription sold separately. Activation and monthly subscription fee required. <http://www.universal-radio.com/catalog/portable/0101.html> (from Universal Radio web site)

## Program to make a circular tuning scale?

**This may be the same software but available free in support of a custom manufacturing service:**

<http://www.frontpanelexpress.com/>. Just tried it - looks very professional. (Tom via rec.radio.shortwave)

## Black Cat Systems

**"Black Cat Systems has released an update for DX Toolbox, bringing it to version 2.2.0.** DX Toolbox is a utility designed for gathering information that affects shortwave radio broadcasting, or as Black Cat puts it, "a radio propagation / conditions analysis and forecasting tool." <http://www.macobserver.com/article/2004/08/24.11.shtml> (Andy Sennitt via HCDX)

## Shortwave station with an extremely low transmitter power will be on the air in Paris.

DXing.info, August 23, 2004:  
A shortwave station with an extremely low transmitter power will be on the air in Paris, France, in September. Innov'Radio has a temporary license to broadcast from Paris on September 5, and from Apremont, north of Paris, on September 9-19. The frequency will be between 25845 kHz and 25880 kHz, and transmitter power 1-10 watts, depending on the event to be covered. According to the decision by the governing body Conseil supérieur de l'audiovisuel (CSA), the antenna may be placed no higher than 30 meters off the ground. (more details and news of other new French stations at <http://www.dxing.info/news/index.dx#innov>) (Mike Terry via HCDX)

## DX 183 - EUROPE'S LARGEST ANTENNA PARK

**The antenna park "DX 183", 12 kms from Jammerbugten/Skagerrak in Denmark, is open for everyone, who is interested in listening to distant radio stations on long wave, medium wave, in tropical bands, on short wave or even on FM.** A lot of beverage antennas are useable. They pick up signals in those directions they are constructed.

### Degrees Area Length Notices

65 China/Philipp./Indonesia/Australia 80 m	95 India/Pakistan 80 m
110 Iran 80 m	130 Israel/Saudi Arabia/Somalia 110 m
150 Egypt/East Africa 160 m	180 Central North- and West Africa 140 m
180 South 120 m longwire on ground, used for phasing	195 West Africa-South 160 m
210 West Africa-West 160 m	220 West Africa-West/East Brasil 120 m
230 East Brasil/Argentina 90 m (290 m during winter season)	240 Central Brasil/Paraguay/Chile 80 m
250 North Brasil/Bolivia 80 m (275 m during winter season)	260 Venezuela/Peru 80 m
270 Caribbean/Colombia 75 m (270 m during winter season)	280 Caribbean/central America/Newfoundland 75 m
290 East Canada/East-YSA/Florida 80 m (270 m during winter season)	300 Quebec/East-USA/Mexico 90 m
315 Midwest/California/Mexico 110 m	330 Southwest Canada 180 m (550 m during winter season)
345 Northwest Canada/Alaska 340 m (460 m during winter season)	360 Alaska/Hawaii 330 m
110 /290 Iran 25 m L-Antenna ca 4 m high Circumpolar reception 6 m vertical antenna	

Height of Beverage-Antennas are ca 1,5 m. They are mounted on sticks and poles. All are connected with coax cable (RG 213 or RG 58) at a distance to the house between 50 m and 100 m.

FM: 8-element Antenna (horizontal in ca 7 m height) and 4-element Antenna (vertical in ca 5 m height). Both on one rotor.

TV: Band-I-Channel 2 (directed to SE 130 ) and -Channel 4 (directed to SW 220 ) Antennas, ca 6 m height, no rotor.

Reception by satellite (digital): More than 20 TV-satellites are available.

It is a kind of low noise system. Beside that, the area is free of heavy QRM. Only some electrical fences are a little audible, mostly during day time.

Take your own receiver to DX 183! And if possible bring along your own coaxial cable (with PL connection) and antenna switch. For information about accommodation and how to reach the antenna park see <http://www.wilhelm-herbst-verlag.de/DX183/DXer/index.htm> (in German only) or contact the owner Wilhelm Herbst on phone/fax +45 98215191.(Ydun Ritz (29/8-2004 via DXLD)